Text Generator

Sure, here's the Python function you requested along with an explanation:

Python

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import random

def generate(filename: str, start_words: list[str], chain_length: int, num_generated: int) -> str:
  """
  This function generates text that is similar to the text in a given file
  using Markov chains.

  Args:
      filename: The name of the file to read the text from.
      start_words: A list of words to start the generated sentence with.
                   The length of this list must be equal to the chain_length.
      chain_length: The length of the Markov chain (number of words to consider).
      num_generated: The number of words to generate in the output sentence.
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  Returns:
      A string containing a sentence
generated using the Markov chain model.
  """

  # Check if the length of start_words
matches chain_length
  if len(start_words) != chain_length:
    raise ValueError("Length of start_words
must be equal to chain_length")

  # Read the text from the file
  with open(filename, 'r') as f:
    text = f.read()

  # Split the text into words
  words = text.split()

  # Create a dictionary to store word
transitions
  transitions = {}
  for i in range(len(words) - chain_length):
    key = tuple(words[i:i+chain_length])
    if key not in transitions:
      transitions[key] = []

transitions[key].append(words[i+chain_length]
)

  # Generate the sentence
  sentence = start_words
  for _ in range(num_generated):
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    # Get the next word based on the current
chain
    next_word_probs =
transitions.get(tuple(sentence[-chain_length:
]), [])
    if not next_word_probs:
      # If no chain is found, randomly choose
a word from the entire text
      sentence.append(random.choice(words))
    else:
      # Choose the next word based on the
probability distribution
      next_word =
random.choices(next_word_probs)[0]
      sentence.append(next_word)

  return " ".join(sentence)

# Example usage
filename = "your_text_file.txt"  # Replace
with your actual filename
start_words = ["This", "is", "an"]  # List
must be 3 words long (chain_length=3)
chain_length = 3
num_generated = 10

generated_text = generate(filename,
start_words, chain_length, num_generated)
print(generated_text)
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Explanation:

1. **Function Definition:**
   - The function generate takes four arguments:
     - filename: The filename of the text to use for training the model.
     - start_words: A list of words to start the generated sentence with. This list should have the same length as chain_length.
     - chain_length: The length of the Markov chain, which determines how many previous words are considered when predicting the next word.
     - num_generated: The number of words to generate in the output sentence.
   - The function returns a string containing the generated sentence.
2. **Input Validation:**
   - The function checks if the length of start_words is equal to chain_length. This ensures that the starting phrase has the same length as the context window used for prediction.
3. **Reading Text and Splitting into Words:**
   - The text is read from the file and split into a list of words.
4. **Building the Transition Dictionary:**
   - An empty dictionary transitions is created to store word transitions.
   - The function iterates through the list of words, considering a window of chain_length words at a time.
   - For each window (key), a list of possible next words (values) is stored in the dictionary.
5. **Generating the Sentence:**
   - The sentence list is initialized with the start_words.
   - A loop iterates for num_generated times to generate the desired number of words.

- Inside the loop:
  - The function retrieves the transition probabilities for the last chain_length words in the sentence (using transitions.get).
  - If no chain is found (meaning the specific sequence of words hasn't appeared in the training text), a random word is chosen from the entire vocabulary (words list).
  - Otherwise, a word is chosen based on